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SUBJECT: INCREASES IN US COMBAT TROOPS IN EUROPE

USNATO FOR HARTMAN

1. DEPARTMENT OF ARMY PLANS RELEASE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCE-
MENT DECEMBER 12, 1100 EST. SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE MAY BE
MADE IN BRUSSELS.

QUOTE: SECRETARY OF THE ARMY HOWARD H. CALLAWAY TODAY
RELEASED DETAILS OF PLANS PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED BY SECRETARY
OF DEFENSE JAMES R. SCHLESINGER TO INCREASE ARMY COMBAT
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CAPABILITY IN EUROPE, AS THE INITIAL RESPONSE TO PROVISIONS

OF PL93-365 ORIGINATED BY SENATOR SAM NUNN IN THE 93RD CONGRESS.

A 3800-MAN BRIGADE OF THE 2ND ARMORED DIVISION FROM FORT HOOD, TEXAS, WILL DEPLOY TO EUROPE BEGINNING IN MARCH 1975. CONCURRENTLY, MANNING LEVELS IN CERTAIN US ARMY, EUROPE (USAEUR) COMBAT UNITS WILL BE INCREASED AND A SIMULTANEOUS REDUCTION IN SUPPORT FORCES WILL BE MADE. THESE ACTIONS ARE THE FIRST STEPS TOWARD MEETING THE GOAL OF INCREASING COMBAT FORCES IN EUROPE BY 6,000 BY THE END OF JUNE 1975, WHILE DECREASING SUPPORT FORCES BY THE SAME AMOUNT. MAJOR ELEMENTS OF THE 2ND ARMORED DIVISION BRIGADE WILL BE: A BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS; SUPPORT BATTALION; TANK BATTALION; TWO MECHANIZED INFANTRY BATTALIONS; AND A FIELD ARTILLERY BATTALION. THE BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS AND SUPPORT BATTALION, TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 660 TROOPS, WILL DEPLOY TO EUROPE ON A PERMANENT BASIS (PCS) BEGINNING IN MARCH 1975. THE REMAINDER OF THE BRIGADE UNITS WILL DEPLOY TO EUROPE IN A TEMPORARY DUTY (TDY) STATUS WITHOUT DEPENDENTS FOR PERIODS NOT TO EXCEED SIX MONTHS EACH. BY JUNE 1975, THE BRIGADE DEPLOYMENT WILL BE COMPLETED.

TDY UNITS WILL THEN ROTATE BETWEEN THEIR BASES IN THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE IN A SEQUENCE THAT WILL CONTINUALLY MAINTAIN A BRIGADE IN EUROPE UNDER COMMAND OF THE BRIGADE HEADQUARTERS PERMANENTLY STATIONED THERE.

INITIALLY, THE BRIGADE WILL BE STATIONED AT THREE OF THE ARMY'S MAJOR EUROPEAN TRAINING AREAS (GRAFENWOHR, HOHENFELS, AND WILDFLECKEN) UNTIL A FINAL DECISION IS MADE ON ITS PERMANENT STATION. UNQUOTE.

2. FRG EMBASSY WASHINGTON INFORMED BY DOD.

3. EMBASSY BONN REQUESTED INFORM FRG.

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